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SUBJECT: SOUTH AFRICA ISSUES ESSENTIAL FACTS LETTER ON  
SUNSET REVIEW OF ANTIDUMPING DUTIES ON L-LYSINE HCI

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¶1. South Africa's International Trade Administration Commission (ITAC) provided post with a copy of its "essential facts" letter regarding the sunset review of the anti-dumping duties of Lysine (reftel). ITAC initiated the sunset review through notice on January 12, 2007, and following receipt and review of invited comments has issued its "essential fact" letter, which sets out the facts being considered by ITAC in making its final decision. ITAC emphasized that it has not yet made its final determination and is accepting comments on the "essential facts" that must be submitted not later than 15:00 on 22 June 2007.

¶2. ITAC's proposed final determination per the essential facts letter reads as follows: The Commission is considering making a final determination that the expiry of the anti-dumping duty is likely to lead to the continuation or recurrence of dumping of lysine originating in or imported from the USA and that the expiry of the anti-dumping duty is likely to lead to the continuation of material injury. The Commission is considering making a recommendation to the Minister of Trade and Industry that the anti-dumping duties on lysine originating in or imported from the USA be amended to 32% for all parties.

¶3. A full copy of ITAC's "essential facts" letter can be forwarded via email if requested. Please contact economic officer Leslie Freriksen at freriksenld@state.gov to obtain a copy.  
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